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PHILADELPHIA, *September* 4.

LAST evening was ſent in to this port, by the ſchooner Mars, Captain Taylor, the privateer ſloop Active, mounting 12 four pounders, late commanded by Laughlin M'Guire. During the action ſhe loſt two men killed, and the gunner mortally wounded.

Extracts of ſeveral letters to a Gentleman in Eaſton, *dated at Major General* Sullivan's *head quarters on* Tioga, *Auguſt* 31, 1779.

"Yeſterday a general action enſued, in which the Indians and tories got completely routed. The conflict was long, and I believe on their part was bloody, though only 11 dead bodies were found upon the field, and they, I ſuppoſe, would not have been left, if our troops had not puſhed them at the point of the bayonets. Our loſs was but trifling: I think five or ſix were killed, and between 40 and 50 wounded. The cannonade on our part was elegant, and gave the Indians ſuch a panick, that they fled with great precipitation from the field. One tory and one negro taken priſoners, who give information that their whole force were collected here. This ſettlement is routed root and branch, all the houſes burnt, and the corn fields deſtroyed. It is very remarkable General Sullivan has been twice ſucceſsful on the 29th of Auguſt.

"I have juſt time to inform you, that on Sunday morning laſt our advanced parties diſcovered the enemy's breaſtworks between Chemung and Newtown, they immediately gave intelligence; their right flank was ſecured by the river, and their left by a high hill. General Poor's brigade was immediately ordered to wheel off and endeavour to gain their left flank, and if poſſible to ſurround them, whilſt our artillery and main body attacked them in front; they ſtood a hot cannonade for more than two hours, but upon their diſcovering our intentions of ſurrounding them, the retreat halloo was given, and they retreated with the utmoſt precipitation, leaving their packs, a number of ſcalpingknives, tomhawks, &c. behind them. We purſued them upwards of two miles, took two priſoners, one white man and one negro; they croſſed the river and carried off a number of killed and wounded, as we found by their tracks of blood and two canoes which we found covered with blood. I ſaw eight of their warriours ſcalps taken on the ſpot, and I juſt heard of fourteen more dead Indians that were found hid with leaves. Their breaſtworks was artfully and ſtrong conſtructed with logs and blinds made with boughs, and extended upwards of half a mile. The party was headed by the two Butlers and Brant, and conſiſted of about 600 Indians and 200 tories, by the beſt intelligence we can get. Our loſs is four killed and thirty two wounded, moſtly ſlight."

Extract of a letter dated Wyoming *September* 2, 1779.

"At two o'clock this morning Doctor Kendall arrived at this place from Chemung, and brings the following intelligence: On Sunday morning laſt, our army diſcovered a large breaſtwork in a narrow paſſage, about four miles above Chemung, where Meſſrs Butler, Brant, and M'Donald had collected all their force. General Sullivan attacked them; the enemy returned the fire, and the engagement laſted near two hours, when the ſavages gave way and were completely routed; twenty five of them were left dead on the field, ſome priſoners were taken. Our loſs was one Lieutenant and four privates killed, and one Major, one Captain, and thirty three privates wounded. Mr. Butler's commiſſion and the commiſſion of another officer were taken with ſeveral orderly books."

Extract of a letter from a Gentleman in Baltimore, *to his friend in this city, dated September* 4, 1779.

"Mr. Crockett of this town, who has been at Auguſta ſprings in Virginia for his health, came home laſt night, and reports, that Colonel Clarke has taken Fort Detroit, made 250 priſoners, and reduced that country. His informant ſaw ſome of the priſoners."

Extract of a letter from Paramus, *Auguſt* 22.

"Sundry late military occurrences, which you cannot be unacquainted with, gave the alarm to the enterprizing genius of Major Lee, who being ordered into this country, took into contemplation an attempt on Powles Hook, a place naturally difficult of acceſs, and highly improved by art. He buſily employed himſelf in gaining a knowledge of the place, its ſituation, ſtrength, &c. This done, he communicated the matter to his Excellency, who, ſurpriſed at the many obſtacles, declined his aſſent to an affair ſo replete with danger. But on a fuller repreſentation from the Major, whoſe endeavours were unremitted until the neceſſary intelligence was collected, having deviſed the mode of attack, the method of retreat, and the number of troops adequate, tranſmitted them acurately to the General, who was pleaſed to approve of the diſpoſition, and ordered every thing requiſite for a matter of ſo much difficulty.

"A deſcription of the place will not be improper, as it will ſerve to give you an idea of the many obſtructions to be met with. The Hook is formed by a winding curve of North river, directly oppoſite New York; a wide gut interſects the tongue of land, and leaves the place of fortification an entire iſland: The gut in depth is ſo conſiderably increaſed, as to render it impaſſable at a little more than half flood; interiour to this, runs a line of abbattis of great ſtrength, which extends to the extreme verges of the iſland; ſtill within theſe is a fort (except the gate way) impregnable, aſſiſted by a chain of redoubts ſituate on its left, of ſuperiour ſtrength; the whole ſurrounded by a marſh two miles in breadth, rendered almoſt impervious, by reaſon of a number of guts, which irregularly interſect it at various points.

"Three hundred Virginians, under command of Major Clark, two companies of Marylandt, and M'Lean's diſmounted dragoons, compoſed the aſſailants. The whole, directed by Major Lee, took their route from the New Bridge on Hackinſack, attended by a number of waggons to convey the opinion of a foraging party. The timid apprehenſions of a principle guide, on our nearer approach to the enemy, proved the ſource of numberleſs miſtakes, which retarded the execution of the deſign three hours, and occaſioned an alteration in the primary diſpoſition, inſtead of attacking in three different places as at firſt intended. The body was formed into two columns, and after forcing the abbattis, a ſeparation took place by Major Clark's inclining to the right, the other column to the left; the forlorn preceded at ſome diſtance, inſtantly ſeized the grand fort, and re-echoed the watch-word; in leſs than ten minutes a complete poſſeſſion of the works was effected with little or no loſs.

"The neceſſity of a retreat every moment became evident; day-light approached apace, and obliged us to retire precipitately, though without confuſion. Relying on the boats which were to tranſport us over the Hackinſack, three miles diſtant from the ſcene of action, and which conſtituted our ſafety; we moved on with the priſoners, but our arrival ſoon convinced us of a diſappointment. The dangers of the ſituation were manifeſt: The North river on the right was at many places not more than two miles diſtant from the party with the major part of the Britiſh army ſtrewed along the oppoſite ſhore, obliged the exertion of every device and ſtratagem to obviate their intercepting a retreat of eighteen miles, which was judiciouſly effected, notwithſtanding all their efforts to the contrary."

CHARLESTOWN *(S. C.)* AUGUST 24.

ON the 14th inſtant Col. Twiggs of the Georgia militia, and Major Jameſon of the Virginia light horſe, having received intelligence that M'Girt, with a party of the enemy were ſome miles below Briar creek, purſued, fell in with, and attacked them, killed five, wounded five, and took four others priſoners (among the wounded a Lieutenant Jones, of Col. Moore's regiment) twenty three horſes and fifteen guns. M'Girt, with the reſt of the party, got into a creek near the place of action; either M'Girt or one of his officers, with a Lieutenant, were ſo badly wounded, that they were tracked by their blood near a mile. Our loſs was an officer of the Virginians and two horſes wounded.

Extract of a letter from a Gentleman of diſtinction in Cape Francois, *to his friend here, dated July* 31, 1779.

"I unſeal my letter to add the intereſting news I have juſt learnt from a Knight of St. Louis of an Iriſh regiment, on board Count D'Eſtaing's ſhip, who is juſt arrived here with his ſquadron of twenty four ſhips, fourteen frigates, and eighty merchantmen. He tells me, that when they went to form the ſiege of Grenada, they were not long in reducing it, having taken it by ſtorm. Count D'Eſtaing, having mounted himſelf at the head of his troops, took a fort very advantageous from its ſituation. This paſſed during the night. In the morning the Governour of another fort ſent to propoſe a capitulation. The Count gave them an hour and an half, after which they made propoſals, which induced him to tell them, that if they did not ſurrender in an inſtant at diſcretion, he was preparing to take them by force. In this manner was Grenada taken. But Admiral Byron, who as yet knew nothing of the matter, appeared before the Count with a ſquadron of twenty one ſhips; he had cauſed a number of troops to land in order to aſſiſt the beſieged, but it was too late. However we might have experienced a great cataſtrophe, had not the Count provided againſt it. When the ſhips of Byron came in ſight of the port of Grenada, the French fleet was moſt anchored, there was a calm, and the Engliſh under ſail, favoured by the wind, were in a very advantageous poſition; ours on the contrary was very diſadvantageous. Notwithſtanding our ſhips put under ſail, and although in bad order, they joined the Engliſh, and engaged with ſeventeen of our ſhips (the ſeven others not having been able to come up.) We have been happy enough to defeat the Engliſh, who having all along preſerved the advantage of their firſt poſition, took to flight. At this critical inſtant, Count D'Eſtaing received intelligence, that the Engliſh priſoners of Grenada were on the point of revolting, and to join the troops Admiral Byron had previouſly cauſed to land, to come to their aſſiſtance. The ſituation of our garriſon becoming thereby very dangerous, the Count thought it fit to ſacrifice the advantages that could reſult from his ſea combat, having made four Engliſh ſhips and three frigates to ſtrike, which he would of courſe have moored, to fly to the relief of ſome brave men who compoſed the garriſon of Grenada, of which they were already in poſſeſſion, but not ſtrong enough for the ſecurity of this conqueſt. The Count having returned in time, drove off the Engliſh, and put every thing in the beſt order before he quitted the place. Reſpecting the taking of St. Vincent, only a frigate and three hundred men effected it. After the Count's operation at Grenada, he came to St. Chriſtoppes, where he preſented himſelf before the Engliſh fleet, who inſtead of putting under ſail, remained ſtill, leaſt they ſhould be attacked afreſh. Theſe are all the details I can give you. Count D'Eſtaing has been here theſe two days; his ſquadron is in a moſt brilliant condition; undoubtedly he is not come to St. Domingo to remain inactive. I ſhall uſe every opportunity to communicate to you all intereſting matters. Apropos, Sir, in caſe you ſhould not be appriſed of it, I give it to you as a certainty, that war is declared between Spain and England."

On the 5th of laſt month, the privateer ſchooner Buck, Captain Dunnivan, of New York, was carried off from the harbour of New Providence by a number of Americans, whilſt the Captain, with the firſt and ſecond Lieutenants, were on ſhore.

BOSTON, AUGUST 23.

SUNDAY last arrived here the continental frigates Providence, Queen of France, and Ranger; during their cruiſe they fell in with a Jamaica fleet of upwards of 100 ſail, under convoy of ſeveral frigates. This favourable opportunity they improved as well as circumſtances would admit. They picked out 9 ſhips and one brig deeply laden with rum, ſugar, &c. four of which has arrived here, two into Portſmouth, and one into Cape Ann. It is ſaid the rum and ſugar, captured in the above prizes amount to upwards of 5000 hogſheads.

PHILADELPHIA, *September* 11.

ON the 4th day of September inſtant, Congreſs being informed that Mr. WILLIAM HENRY DRAYTON, one of the Delegates for the ſtate of South Carolina, had died the preceding night, and that circumſtances required that his remains ſhould be entered that evening.

They reſolved, "That Congreſs would in a body attend the funeral that evening, at 6 o'clock, as mourners, with a crape round the left arm, and would continue in mourning for the ſpace of one month." They farther reſolved, that Mr. Laurens, Mr. Matthews, and Mr. Harnet be a committee to ſuperintend the funeral; and that the Rev. Mr. White, the attending Chaplain, ſhould be notified to officiate on the occaſion. They alſo directed the committee to invite the General Aſſembly, the Preſident and Supreme Executive Council of Pennſylvania, the Miniſter Plenipotentiary of France, and other perſons of diſtinction in town, to attend the funeral.

Accordingly at 6 o'clock that evening, the corpſe was carried in proceſſion to Chriſt Church: The Preſident, two members of the Executive Council, the Judge of the Admiralty, and the Attorney General of Pennſylvania, and Brigadier General Hogan ſupported the pall. Beſides the Preſident and members of Congreſs as mourners, the Miniſter and Conſul of France, ſeveral civil and military officers of the United States, and a number of inhabitants and ſtrangers of diſtinction, attended the funeral. After divine ſervice had been performed by the Rev. Mr. White, rector of the epiſcopal churches in this city, and one of the Chaplains of Congreſs, the corpſe was entered in the adjoining cymetry.

Mr. Drayton's age did not exceed 38 years: He died of a putrid fever. His health had been almoſt inſenſibly impaired by a ſedentary life, and inceſſant attention to buſineſs for near two years attendance on Congreſs, which his conſtitution, though naturally ſtrong, was unable longer to ſuſtain. His family was always among the number of the moſt reſpectable and opulent in South Carolina. He had taken an early and decided part in the preſent conteſt, and been honoured from time to time by his country, with the moſt important and confidential offices. At the time of his death he was Chief Juſtice of that ſtate, and one of its Delegates to Congreſs. His literary attainments, acquired by good talents, and an excellent education are well known here and in Europe, where ſeveral of his political papers have been admired and read in different languages.

To ſpeak particularly of his character, would perhaps be improper in a newſpaper, which, like the grave, generally places the dead on a level, without reſpect to the wiſe man or the fool, the ſaint or the ſinner. Let this ſubject therefore be reſerved for the pen of ſome impartial hiſtorian, who, when he ſhall inform poſterity, that William Henry Drayton was an honeſt, independent patriot, and an upright candid Gentleman, will at the ſame time communicate facts more than ſufficient to eſtabliſh and ſupport his title to that character.

WILLIAMSBURG, SEPTEMBER 25.

Copy of a letter from Sir George Collier *to General Sir* Henry Clinton, *dated* Raiſonable *off* Hampton, *May* 16, 1779.

SIR,

AFTER leaving New York the 5th inſtant with the men of war and tranſports under my command, I proceeded towards the place of our deſtination with the moſt propitious winds, and on the 4th day (from our ſailing) made the capes of Virginia, the fleet anchored that night between the ſands near Willoughby's point, which they had hardly done, when the moſt terrible flurry of thunder and lightning, wind and rain came on that I ever recollect; its continuance however was not more than half an hour, and the ſhips were all ſo fortunate as to eſcape driving on ſhore, at ſun riſe we ſaw ſome rebel ſhips and veſſels in Hampton road, with their ſails looſe, who, as ſoon as the tide admitted of it, got under weigh and run up Elizabeth and James rivers; our fleet alſo weighed, and the Raiſonable anchored ſhortly after in Hampton road, her great draught of water not admitting her going farther with convenience.

I immediately ſhifted my broad pendant to the Rainbow, and proceeded with the fleet up Elizabeth river, till a contrary wind and the ebb tide obliged us to anchor; the following morning being calm prevented the ſhips from moving with the flood, on account of the narrowneſs and intricacy of the channell, and as the intended place of deſcent was not more than five or ſix miles diſtant, and the General anxious to looſe no time, embarked the firſt diviſion in the flat boats, and covered by the Cornwallis galley and 2 boats, that carried a ſix pounder at each end, proceeded up and landed without oppoſition at the glebe, which is diſtant about three miles from Portſmouth, the fort fired ſome heavy guns at the gally which the diſtance rendered of no effect; a favourable breeze having ariſe, brought the ſhips up even before the firſt diviſion had got on ſhore, and the remainder of the troops with the field artillery, &c. were landed immediately with the utmoſt expedition, the movements of the army afterwards General Mathew will beſt explain to your Excellency. The rebels ſtill kept their colours flying at the fort, from which circumſtance we judged they intented to make ſome defence, though we did not expect much, to give them no time however to throw up freſh works, or for waiting to be reinforced by more rebel troops, it was agreed between the General and myſelf, that the Rainbow ſhould move up with the morning tide before the fort, and that the troops ſhould attack it at the ſame time on the land ſide, the enemy however ſaved us the trouble by quitting it that evening, and we took poſſeſſion of the fort and town of Portſmouth, as alſo of Norfolk, which was on the oppoſite ſide of the river, without reſiſtance.

The enemy by this ſurrender, loſt ſeveral ſhips and veſſels which fell into our hands, ſome were burnt by themſelves, among which were two large French ſhips which were ſaid to be loaded with 1000 hogſheads of tobacco.

Apprehending that many were rebel veſſels had puſhed up the river, I deſpatched the Cornwallis galley, two gun boats, four flat boats manned and armed, together with four privateers, which had deſired to receive orders from me under the command of Lieutenant Bradley, aſſiſted by Lieutenants Hitchcock and Johnſon, in purſuit of them. They were very ſucceſsfull in their enterpriſe, taking and burning a great number of the enemy's veſſels, many of which were on the ſtocks for launching. Amongſt the captures was the blackſnake, a rebel privateer of 14 guns, who, after being canonaded by the gun boats, was carried by boarding with the loſs of ſome of the rebels, but on our ſide, two men only were wounded; I had ſent ſome ſmall ſhips under the direction of Capt. Creyk of the Otter, up the main branch of the Cheſapeak, at the ſame time I entered Elizabeth river, the movements of this little ſquadron were ſo judicious, that the enemy were much harraſed and diſtreſſed, they deſtroyed many veſſels and captured others, among which were two, with about 200 hogſheads of tobacco.

The Raiſonable remained ſtationed before the town of Hampton with ſome armed tenders, blocks up that port, and the navigation of James river; Elizabeth river is already taken effectual care of, and Captain Creyk's little ſquadron renders the ingreſs and regreſs of the Cheſapeak almoſt impracticable for the rebel veſſels without their being taken. I have now informed your Excellency of the detail of our milatary opperations by ſea to the preſent time, our ſucceſs and the preſent appearance of things infinitely exceed our moſt ſanguine expectations, and if the various accounts the General and myſelf have received can be depended on, the moſt flattering hopes of a return to obedience to their Sovereign may be expected from moſt of this province; the people ſeems importunately deſirous that the royal ſtandard may be erected, and they give the moſt poſitive aſſurances that all ranks of people will reſort to it, you are too good a judge Sir, of the very great importance of this place we now hold to render my ſaying much upon that ſubject neceſſary, permit me however as a ſea officer, to obſerve that this port of Portſmouth, is an exceeding ſafe and ſecure aſſylum for ſhips againſt an enemy, and is not to be forced even by great ſuperiority, the marine yard is large and extremely convenient, having a conſiderable ſtock of ſeaſoned timber, beſides great quantities of other ſtores; from theſe conſiderations joined to many others, I am firmly of opinion that it is a meaſure moſt eſſentially neceſſary for his Majeſty's ſervice that this poſt ſhould remain in our hands, ſince it appears to me of more real conſequence and advantage, than any other the Crown now poſſeſſes in America, for by ſecuring this, the whole trade of the Cheſapeak is at an end, and conſequently the ſinews of the rebellion deſtroyed. I truſt and hope Sir, you will ſee this matter in the ſame important light as I do, and give ſuch directions for reinforcements to be ſent here as you may think neceſſary, in order for our purſuing and improving thoſe advantages which we have with ſo much good fortune acquired. General Mathew propoſing to write to you by this expreſs boat, I ſhall leave to his pen to inform you of the deſtruction of the conſiderable magazines in Suffolk (intended for the rebel army) by a detachment of the King's troops under Col. Garth, and before I conclude my letter, permit me to expreſs my great ſatisfaction in the choice of the officers you were pleaſed to name, for cooperating with me on this expedition, as too much praiſe cannot be given General Mathew, for his indefatigable zeal and attention for the King's ſervice, and I have the pleaſure in acknowledging the perfect harmony and underſtanding, which ſubſiſt between his Majeſty's land and ſea officers

I have the honour to be, &c.

GEORGE COLLIER."

A few days ago put into Hampton road in diſtreſs, the ſhip Andrew Caldwell, Captain Truckſon commander, belonging to Andrew and James Caldwell, merchants in Philadelphia; ſhe had a paſſage of ſix weeks from St. Euſtatia, her cargo conſiſts of ſugar, coffee, and ſalt. On her paſſage ſhe was attacked by two cruiſers, whom ſhe beat off.

The ſchooner Betſey & Peggy, Captain Cunningham, is arrived at Portſmouth, in a ſhort paſſage from St. Euſtatia; ſhe is loaded with rum, ſugar, and ſalt

By an expreſs on his way from Charleſtown (South Carolina) to Philadelphia, we are informed the French have landed five thouſand men in Georgia. and blocked up all the Engliſh ſhips which are in that ſtate.

Laſt week the ſchooner Polly, belonging to Connecticut, run into one of the inlets on the Eaſtern Shore of this ſtate, and there went to pieces. She had been taken by the Hammond privateer from New York, Bartlet Goodrich maſter, and was loaded with rum, ſugar, cocoa, &c. moſt of which were ſaved. The priſoners, five in number, came to this place laſt Wedneſday.

NEWBERN, *Sep.* 6. Since our laſt, arrived here the ſchooner John, Captain Dames, from Cape Francois, who brings the following moſt important account.

That he ſailed from the Cape in company with Count D'Eſtaing's fleet conſiſting of 23 ſail of the line, two 50 gun ſhips, and ten frigates, having on board 5000 troops, with a large fleet of merchant ſhips, for the ſeveral ports in America. That he kept company with the fleet to the lat. of 33, and long. 75, when he left them ſteering N. W. by W- and that it was reported in the fleet they were to join 12 ſail of Spaniſh line off Auguſtine. That the expedition on which they were going was kept a profound ſecret, but that it was moſt undoubtedly for this continent, as he left them ſo near, and ſteering for Georgia.

We expect every hour a farther account of this grand armament, which aſſuredly is to clear this continent of the preſent murdering ſavage crew that at preſent infeſt it.

DEATHS.] Mr. THOMAS EPPES, of Prince George county, who hath deviſed the greateſt part of a very conſiderable fortune, to Mr. William Poythreſs, an officer in the continental army.

Mr. ROBERT TUCKER, of Norfolk county.

The Rev. WILLIAM DUNLAP, rector of St. Paul's pariſh, in the county of Hanover.

On Saturday the 11th inſtant, died in child bed, the amiable ſpouſe of John Bowdoin, Eſq; in Northampton county.

☞ *The extravagant price which we at present give for paper, obliges us to raise the price of advertisments to* TEN DOLLARS *the first week, and* SEVEN DOLLARS *each week after, long ones in proportion. It is requested of those who send letters or advertisments, to pay the postage of them, otherwise they will not be taken up.*

WILLIAMSBURG, *September* 25, 1779.

THE subscriber begs leave to inform the publick in general, and his friends in particular, that he has opened TAVERN in the house formerly occupied by Captain *Robert Anderson*. Gentlemen who favour him with their custom, may depend on his utmost endeavours to give satisfaction. (2) AMBROSE DAVENPORT.

To be RENTED *to the highest bidder for the ensuing year, at* Hanover *courthouse, on the first* Thursday *in* October *next, being court-day,*

THE land and plantation whereon Mrs. *Sarah Pierce* lately lived, now in the possession of Mr. *Fortunatus Crutchfield*, situate about 2 miles above *Hanover* town, has thereon an exceeding fine dwellinghouse, with all other convenient houses, good apple and peach orchards. Possession to be given the first day of *January* next. Bond and security will be required. (1‖)

FOR SALE.

A NEW BOAT now on the stocks, completely finished and ready for launching, is built on the pilot boat construction, and of the following dimensions, *viz.* fifty feet keel, 19 feet beam, and 8 feet hold, moulded. Any person inclinable to purchase, may know the terms and see the vessel by applying to the subscriber.

(‖) JOHN TABB.

NORFOLK county, *September* 9, 1779.

To be SOLD *at publick sale at* Norfolk, *on* Saturday *the* 2d *of* October,

ONE half of the schooner *Courtney*, *William Westcott* master, she carries 60 hogsheads of tobacco, and sails remarkably fast, has 2 carriage guns and 6 swivels, an inventory of her materials may be seen on the day of sale; at the same time will be sold a second-hand suit of sails belonging to the said boat.

(1) PREESON BOWDOIN.

NORFOLK, *September* 22, 1779.

FOR SALE,

A VERY valuable tract of land on *Rappahanock* river near *Hobb*'s hole, containing about 1700 acres, lately the property of *Mann Page*, Esquire. Extensive credit will be given if required for part of the purchase money on paying interest. For terms apply to *John Tabb* of *Amelia* county, or *Edmund Lagwood* of *Powhatan* county. (2‖)

RICHMOND, *September* 4, 1779.

FOR sale, and possession to be given the 1st of *January* next, a tract of land in the county of *Amherst*, about 8 miles from the courthouse, and the same distance from *James* river, lying on both sides of *Buffalo* river, containing 1740 acres. There is on this tract a large and convenient dwellinghouse almost new, upon a pleasant and healthy situation, in an excellent neighbourhood, and very necessary office house, garden, barns, &c. in very good repair; a valuable mill upon a never-failing stream, large apple and peach orchards, &c. The soil generally is good for tobacco, hemp, corn, and small grain, and the low grounds proper for meadows. Upwards of 100 bushels of wheat will be sown on the plantation this fall, and the purchaser, if he chooses, may have the crops of corn, fodder, oats, &c. Also one other tract of 1394 acres, 8 miles above the last. This is good tobacco and grain land, but it is not improved. Also one other tract 8 miles below the first mentioned, and upon the same river, containing 970 acres. There are upon this tract two small plantations, with houses sufficient for an overseer and negroes. It affords some low grounds, an exceeding fine mill seat, and most excellent range for stock. Very long credit will be given the purchaser for all or any part of the purchase money, or tobacco would be received in part of payment; or, which would be more agreeable, these lands would be bartered for a good tract lower down the country. For farther particulars inquire of the subscriber, who will be in *Williamsburg* during the sitting of the Assembly.

JOHN POWELL.

☞ I have for sale, either for cash or on credit, a handsome and complete set of utensils for an apothecaries shop, with between one or two hundred pounds sterling's worth of well assorted medicines. J. P.

GREAT BRIDGE (*Norfolk* county) *September* 20, 1779.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of *Capt. Edward Strong*, deceased, are desired to make immediate payment; and those who have accounts against the said estate, are requested to bring them in, as I expect to have the estate settled by the first day of *December* next, and shall not pay any accounts that is brought in after that time.

(‖) GEORGE CALLIS, Administrator.

HANOVER, *September* 15, 1779.

WHEREAS several persons has, for some years past, made a practice of fowling in my creeks and marshes in *New Kent* county, so that I have received little benifit from them, which obliges me publickly to forewarn all persons without distinction, from hunting and fowling on my said land and creeks, at their peril.

(2‖) WILLIAM HARTWELL MACON.

THE executors of *Miles Taylor*, deceased, being desirous of settling his affairs as speedily as possible, takes this method of informing those who are indebted to the estate, that they are earnestly requested to make immediate payment, as no indulgence can or will be given; those to whom the estate is indebted are desired to bring in their accounts properly proved, that provision may be made to discharge them. *** On the first *Monday* in *October* next, being *Henrico* court day, will be sold to the highest bidder, in *Richmond*, a likely young blooded HORSE, belonging to the estate aforesaid.

(2) THE EXECUTORS.

A PURSE race will be run for, the best two heats in three, at *Joseph Seawell*'s in *Gloucester*, on the second *Thursday* in *October* next.

WILLIAMSBURG, *September* 27, 1779.

JOURNEYMEN TAILORS who understand their business well, will meet with good encouragement by applying to

(1‖) THOMAS ORRELL.

THE subscriber is in want of an overseer's place, or a brewers place, thinking himself capable of either. Whoever is in want of such a person, inquire for me at Doctor *Pasture*'s farm.

(1‖) RICHARD SMADDELL.

September 19, 1779.

COMMITTED to the jail of *Dinwiddie* a negro fellow who calls himself JIM, and says he belongs to *Benjamin Hall* of *Halifax* county. The owner is desired to pay charges and take him away.

(1‖) LEWIS LANIER.

MISSING, and supposed to be stolen, the 28th of last *May*, from the subscriber in *Warren* county, in the state of *North Carolina*, a middle sized sorrel horse, with a blazed face, a roached mane, switch tail, and some saddle spots, and I believe his hind feet were white, no brand that I recollect, is about 9 years old, and very lively, and had a small bell on, his mane wanted trimming, paces, gallops, and trots, had been ploughed with, some days before he was turned out, and I believe had some hair worn off by the collar, any person that will contrive the said horse to the subscriber, or to Colonel *Thomas Eaton*'s on *Roanoke*, shall receive TWENTY DOLLARS reward, and if stolen, on conviction of the thief, FORTY DOLLARS.

(2‖) THOMAS EDMUND MILLES.

PRINCE WILLIAM county (*Dumfries*) *September* 22, 1779.

STRAYED or STOLEN out of the subscriber's pasture, on the night of the 24th of *August* last, a light coloured sorrel horse, flaxen mane and tail, 9 or 10 years old, about 14 hands high, branded on the near buttock I R, or something similar, trots and gallops, has been used to the draught. Whoever secures the said horse so as I get him again, shall receive FIFTY DOLLARS reward.

(2‖) THOMAS CHAPMAN.

WILLIAMSBURG, *September* 23, 1779.

STRAYED from the subscriber some time past, a small dark bay horse, with a star in his forehead, and branded on the near buttock P, one hind foot a little white, and has a thin hanging mane and switch tail. Whoever delivers the above described horse to me, shall receive a reward of THIRTY DOLLARS.

(2‖) WILLIAM PELHAM.

To be SOLD *to the highest bidder, before Mr.* Gabriel Galt's *door, on the first* Monday *in* October *next, it being* Henrico *court-day,*

THE lot and tenement wherein Mr. *Geogehegan* now lives, in *Richmond* town, five months credit will be given, the purchaser given bond with security. (2‖) QUIN MORTON.

To be SOLD *to the highest bidder for ready money, at my mill plantation in* Essex *county, on* Tuesday *the 5th day of* October *next, if fair, if not, next fair day,*

A NUMBER of very likely *Virginia* born slaves; a great many high blooded horses, amongst them are two high bred stud horses, a stock of cattle, sheep, and hogs; also a quantity of good wheat. The sale will be continued from day to day till all is sold.

(2‖) HENRY GARNETT.

TAKEN up, in *Dinwiddie* county, a small bay mare, 3 or 4 years old, about 4 feet 4 inches high, no brand perceivable. Posted, and appraised to 60l. (‖) LEWIS LANIER.

TAKEN up, in *Goochland* county, two steers, appear to have been worked, both marked with a crop in the right ear, one of them is a dark brown with white under his belly, and a white spot on each hind leg, and his horns sawed. The other a red pied, his horns sawed and rubed, appears to have been done by the yoke, no other marks perceivable, they are valued to 80l. The owner may have them on proving their property and paying as the law directs.

(1‖) THOMAS M. RANDOLPH.

TAKEN up, in *Prince Edward* county, near *Moore*'s ordinary, a small dark bay mare, about 4 feet 3 inches high, 13 years old, has some saddle spots, a white spot on the inside of her near hind foot, branded on the near shoulder W. Appraised to 10l.

(‖) FRANCIS COLLINS.

TAKEN up, on *Dover* mill creek, in *Goochland* county, a cow and calf, neither of them marked, the cow is a light brindle, with a white back and belly, and the calf near the same colour and flesh marks. Appraised to 40l. (1‖) EDWARD MATTHEWS.

TAKEN up, in *Day*'s neck, *Isle of Wight*, a bay horse with a hanging mane and switch tail, about 4 feet, 7 inches high, has no brand perceivable. Appraised to 70l.

(‖) JOHN MALLORY.

WAR OFFICE (*Williamsburg*) *September* 10, 1779.

THE Board of War hereby order Lieutenant *Daugherty* of the navy, to repair to this Board instantly, to answer for very unwarrantable conduct.

By order of the Board,

H. RANDOLPH, Clerk.

PETERSBURG, *September* 8 1779.

I INTEND for the *West Indies*, and to return immediately. (1) JAMES ROSE.

IN COUNCIL, SEPTEMBER 17, 1779.

ALL *Britiſh* ſubjects now in this ſtate, who come within the meaning and deſcription of the act of Aſſembly, intitled "An act concerning eſcheats and forfeitures from *Britiſh* ſubjects" and who have not already adopted ſome mode of leaving it, are required to attend at the city of *Williamſburg*, on the 11th day of next month, without fail, in readineſs to take their departure. A veſſel will be prepared to convey them to *New York*. *By order of the Lieutenant Governour in Council.*

ARCHIBALD BLAIR, C. C.

To be SOLD to the higheſt bidder, purſuant to the laſt will and teſtament of Daniel Williams, *deceaſed, on* Friday *the 1ſt day of* October *next, at the late dwellinghouſe of* Mourning Williams, *deceaſed, in* Nanſemond *county, near* South Quay,

TEN likely *Virginia* born SLAVES, two FEATHER BEDS, and ſundry other things too tedious to mention. Two years credit will be allowed the purchaſers, on giving bond and approved ſecurity to

(1) THE EXECUTOR.

WILLIAMSBURG, *September* 10, 1779.

THE ſubſcriber has for ſale, a large quantity of tanned and curried LEATHER of various ſorts, which he will ſell for ready caſh, or barter for corn or tobacco.—Orders from the country ſhall be punctualy complied with. (1) W. PLUME.

To be SOLD by publick vendue for ready money, at the houſe of the ſubſcriber in Port Royal, *on* Monday *the 1ſt of* November *next, or the next fair day:*

SUNDRY houſehold and kitchen furniture in good order; particularly an elegant mahogany framed looking-glaſs, the plate within the frame is 45 by 25 inches, a neat walnut cabinet, a genteel ſaloon lanthorn, tables, chairs, and a number of uſeful articles.

(1) ANDREW LECKIE.

☞ Likewiſe will be ſold a likely *Virginia* born negro man.

To be SOLD purſuant to the laſt will and teſtament of John Armſtrong, *deceaſed, to the higheſt bidder, on* Wedneſday *the 10th of* November *next, and to be entered on at* Chriſtmas,

THE valuable tract of land whereon the deceadant lately dwelled, containing about 500 acres; alſo the ferry on the ſouth ſide of *Dan* river, known by the name of *Boyd's* ferry, the land lies on the river and is inferiour to none both of high and low grounds, there is a very fine plantation now in good order for cropping, there is a variety of fruit trees, amongſt which is an exceeding fine apple orchard, of excellent fruit. On ſaid land is a good dwelling houſe with four rooms on a floor, three good brick chimneys *&c.* Alſo a very good houſe, ſuitable for a ſtore houſe, with a good brick chimney, and a very fine celler; there is alſo a good kitchen and all other convenient outhouſes, with a very good barn; in ſhort, it is attended with every conveniency that can make a tract of land valuable, is well known to be a very publick place, and convenient for almoſt any kind of trade. There will be ſold at the ſame time 6 very valuable ſlaves, amongſt which are a very good ferrymen. Alſo a number of very valuable horſes, a ſtock of good cattle, ſheep, hogs, *&c.* Alſo houſehold and kitchen furniture, and plantation utenſils, with a valuable waggon and gears for ſix horſes, *&c. &c.* Credit till the firſt of *May* next will be allowed for all ſums above twenty pounds, or the purchaſers giving bond and approved ſecurity to

(2‖) SAMUEL PERRIN, CHARLES BURTON, DAVID BOYD, } Executors.

N. B Any perſon inclinable to ſee the land, may be ſhewn the ſame by applying to *David Boyd* on the premiſes.

FOR SALE,

TWO improved lots in the town of *Dumfries* in *Prince William* county, ſituate near the courthouſe, one has a houſe 64 feet by 24, a kitchen under it, with 8 cellars, 4 rooms on the lower floor, an entry, 4 fire places, 5 rooms above ſtairs, with 2 fire places; the other lot joining has a dwellinghouſe 28 feet by 18, 2 rooms below with fire places, and 2 above ſtairs with one fire place, a kitchen, ſmokehouſe, and ſtable, and an excellent well of water. For terms apply to the ſubſcriber.

(1) FOUSHEE TEBBS.

FOR SALE,

THE ſchooner HANNAH, *Richard Inkſon* maſter, juſt arrived at *Broadway*; from *Holland*. She is 54½ feet keel, 19½ feet beam, and 7 feet 9½ inches in the hold, a faithful well built veſſel, and ſails remarkable faſt, carries 8 carriage guns and 2 ſwivels, 2 blunderbuſſes, with muſkets and cutlaſſes, is well found, and has made only one voyage. For terms apply to PREESON BOWDOIN.

PETERSBURG, *Auguſt* 31, 1779.

AUGUST 29, 1779.

DESERTED, three of the recruits from *Prince William* county, to wit: ANDREW MURPHEY, an *Iriſhman*, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, well made, black hair, a large black beard, had on a round hat, brown cloth ſailors jacket, check ſhirt, and a pair of oſnabrug trowſers. JAMES MILLER, an *Engliſhman*, 5 feet 8 inches high, of a ſwarthy complexion, ſhort brown hair, curls before, well made, had on a white coarſe cloth jacket, cotton ſhirt, and oſnabrug trowſers. ROBERT WOODERFIELD, an *Engliſhman*, 5 feet 11 inches high, fair complexion, ſhort light hair, well made, much given to liquor, loſt his foreteeth, had on an old white ſhirt ſlit on the ſhoulders, a pair of bed ticking trowſers, and a pair of old ſhoes. Any perſon apprehending the above deſerters, ſhall receive 150 dollars, or 50 dollars for each upon delivery to (1) WILLIAM LINTON.

NANSEMOND county, *Auguſt* 25, 1779.

ALL perſons having demands againſt the eſtate of *Thomas Godwin*, of *Nanſemond* county, deceaſed, are deſired to have them properly proved and apply for payment; thoſe indebted, are requeſted to make immediate payment to EDWIN GRAY, MILLS GODWIN, } Executors.

(2‖)

FOR SALE,

A VALUABLE tract of land in *King William* county, containing 330 acres, about 4 miles from the courthouſe and has thereon a good dwellinghouſe, with all other neceſſary and convenient houſes, on a fine healthy and agreeable ſituation, an excellent apple and peach orchard, with the crop of corn now growing on it conſiſting of about 200 barrels, a good ſtock of hogs, and a great variety of plantation utenſils. I will treat with any Gentleman for the above privately, between this and *November King William* court, at which time, if it is not diſpoſed of, it will be expoſed to publick ſale.

(1) THOMAS ROSE.

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD

FOR each of the following deſerters from the ſhip TARTAR, viz. *Matthew Nightengale, John Taylor, Ellis Edwards, Motto Pickerin, Patrick Hopkins, Thomas Mains, George Day*, and *Auguſtine Boyd*, all of *Wicomico* pariſh, *Northumberland* county; *Richard Timberlake* and *William Darby* of *Lancaſter* county; *John Baſs* of *Middleſex*; *John Marſhall, Daniel Grant*, and *Dennis Obrian*, there is reaſon to believe are gone to *North Carolina*. The above reward will be given for each of the above deſerters, on their being delivered on board any armed veſſel belonging to this ſtate. THOMAS GRANT.

CHICKAHOMANY SHIP-YARD, *September* 10, 1779.

HANOVER town, *Auguſt*, 18 1779.

TO be ſold by the ſubſcriber, the well known ordinary called *Cartwright's* (containing by eſtimation 600 acres) ſituated on the main road that leads from *Williamſburg* to *Richmond*, *Page's* warehouſes, *Fredericksburg*, *&c.* Its ſituation for a tavern is equal to any road tavern in *Virginia*. That land is good for corn, wheat, or tobacco, and well timbered, there is a very neceſſary houſe for tavern keeping, the ordinary being large and commodious, with land cleared to work ſix hands to advantage. Whoever purchaſes the above, may have liberty to ſow fall grain; if this place is not ſold by the firſt day of *October* (when poſſeſſion may be had) it will be rented for one or more years. For terms apply to me at *Hanover* town. (tf) RICHARD BURNLEY.

COMMITTED to the jail of *Lunenburg*, an *African* negro man who ſays his name is JAMES, and that he belonged to one *Richard Adams* of *King William* county, that the ſaid *Adams* has been ſome time dead, and his widow gone out of the county, he is a middle fized fellow and ſpeaks but bad *Engliſh*, has ſome of his teeth filed and is of a black complexion, but no other particular mark. The owner is deſired to apply for him to (2‖) JOSEPH HIGHTOWER, Jailer.

COMMITTED to the jail of *Cheſterfield* county, the 1ſt of *Auguſt*, a negro man who ſays his name is DICK, and that he belongs to the eſtate of *William Baggag* on *Green Briar*, who was killed by the *Indians*. The owner is deſired to take him away and pay charges.

(2‖) ROBERT ELAM.

ELIZABETH CITY, *Auguſt* 29, 1779.

RUN away in *February* 1777, AMY, a ſhort lean flat faced wench, about 45 years old, and formerly belonged to Mr. *Richard Sclater*, late of *Charles Pariſh*. TOM, a ſmall thin faced fellow with large full eyes, and ſome of his foreteeth out, and run away in *September* laſt. GEORGE, a ſtout well made fellow, in kneed, very large under lip, and once belonged to the eſtate of Mr. *Gill Armiſtead*, late of *New Kent*. PEG, a black wench, about 40 years old, large red gums and wide mouth. *George* and *Peg* run away this month. I will give THIRTY POUNDS each for the two laſt, and FIFTY POUNDS each for *Tom* and *Amy*, if ſecured in any jail ſo that I get them again. *Tom* is out lawed.

(tf) JOHN CARY.

STRAYED or ſtolen from the ſubſcriber in *Dumfries* the 24th of *Auguſt* laſt, a likely bay mare, upwards of 14 hands high, 3 years old laſt ſpring, branded on the near buttock I. C. a ſhort thin mane and ſwitch tail, paces, trots, and gallops, her hoofs very much worn. I will give ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD for the thief and mare, or SIXTY DOLLARS for the mare delivered to me, and reaſonable charges paid. (1) WILLIAM LINTON.

STRAYED from *Swans Point* the 6th of *Auguſt*, a dark bay mare, 3 years old laſt ſpring, neither docked nor branded, or has ever been rode, ſhe was lately brought down the country, therefore I am apt to believe ſhe may endeavour to return to the place where raiſed. I will give 50 dollars to any perſon who will return her at the above mentioned place, or a ſum in proportion for information ſo that I get her again.

(1) HARTWELL COCKE.

STOLEN out of my paſture near *Williamſburg*, on *Tueſday* night the 24th of *Auguſt*, a bay horſe 9 years old, in bad order, about 14 hands high, with a hanging mane and ſwitch tail, a ſmall ſtar in his forehead, and a ſnip on his noſe, his brand forgot. paces naturally, had a very bad gall on his left ſhoulder, has ſome ſaddle ſpots. I will give TWENTY DOLLARS for information where he may be had, or ONE HUNDRED on conviction of the thief.

(1) HUMPHREY HARWOOD.

FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD,

STOLEN out of my paſture in *Goochland*, the 26th of *Auguſt* laſt, at night, a fine blooded bright bay mare, 3 years old, 4 feet 10 inches high, has a ſmall ſtar in her forehead, neither docked nor branded, has remarkable neat legs, and trots well. Any perſon delivering the ſaid mare to me, or gives ſuch intelligence ſo that I get her again, ſhall have the bove reward. (1) PHILIP WEBBER.